

REMARKSIndication of Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant greatly appreciates the Examiner's statement in the previous Office Action in which claims 1-10 have been indicated as allowable.

Response to Objections to Drawings

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(4) because the reference character "4a" has been used to designate both an inlet pipe at page 13, line 10 and gas jet openings at page 13, line 13. As indicated, Applicant has amended drawings 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, and 13 such that the gas jet openings are now indicated by reference character "4D." Similarly, Applicant has amended drawings 6, 8, 11, and 13 such that the auxiliary gas jet openings are now indicated by reference numeral "4E" rather than "4b." As well, the remainder of the specification has been amended to reflect this change.

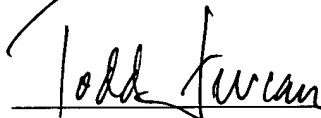
The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they do not include the following reference signs mentioned in the description: "1" in Figure 1 as mentioned on page 12, line 6. Applicant notes that the numeral 1 as used on page 12 at line 6 is intended only to indicate the first embodiment. As such, rather than amending the figures, Applicant has amended the specification to read "the first embodiment" rather than "embodiment 1." Similar amendments have been made throughout the specification to prevent similar confusion with regard to the various embodiments of the invention as depicted in the figures.

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they include the following reference signs not mentioned in the description: "20D" as in Figure 1, and "70A" and "70B" as in Figure 4. Applicant notes that the reference character "20D" is referred to in line 21 on page 16 of the specification as "a punch metal plate 20D." As well, the reference characters "70A" and "70B" are referred to in line 10 on page 34 and line 5 on page 35 of the specification as "a bottom plate 70A" and "a ceiling plate 70B," respectively. As such, Applicant has not amended the figures.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and for at least the reasons set forth above, Applicant respectfully submits that all objections and/or rejections have been traversed, rendered moot, and/or accommodated, and that the now pending claims 1-10 are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned agent at (770) 933-9500.

Respectfully submitted,

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